

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 995

By Rowland

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Elizabeth Watts, 2002
Valedictorian of Oakland High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Elizabeth Watts is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2002 graduating class at Oakland High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Watts has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, she has earned an exemplary 4.0 Grade Point Average; and

WHEREAS, due to her outstanding commitment to academic excellence, Ms. Watts has earned numerous honors and awards, including the Gold Award, the Silver Award, and has attended the Governor's School for Humanities; and

WHEREAS, a multi-talented individual, Ms. Watts possesses tremendous musical talent, as a participant in the high school band and chorus; and

WHEREAS, highly respected as a leader among her peers, Ms. Watts is active in numerous scholastic organizations, including the National Beta Club, the National Honor Society, Excalibur, Mu Alpha Theta, Interact, the Key Club and Beta Epsilon; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Watts' display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, her achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Greg and Gwen Watts, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Watts' dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 Oakland High School Valedictorian, Elizabeth Watts, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.